

U.S. Application No. 10/796,301 Docket No. K06-167785M/TBS (NGB.376) ZJW

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Jun HAMAKITA et al.

Serial No.: 10/796,301

Group Art Unit: 3611

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Examiner: Marc A. Scharich

For: ELECTRIC POWER STEERING DEVICE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.